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# The Gospel Blimp

ALL HAVE SINNED  
DON'T BE A LITTERBUG





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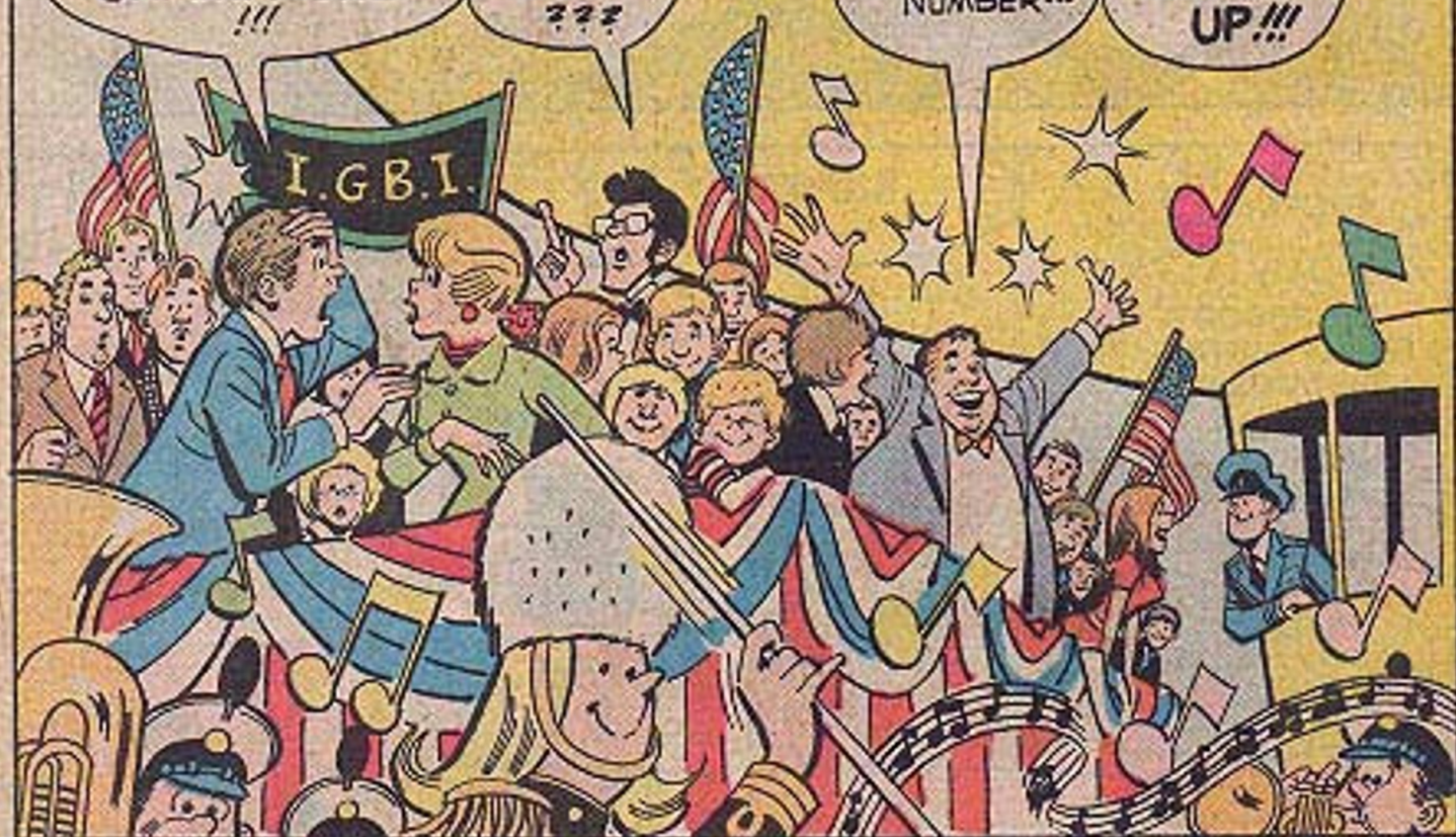
WE CAN'T  
CHRISTEN IT WITH  
CHAMPAGNE  
!!!

WHAT  
ABOUT  
COKE  
???

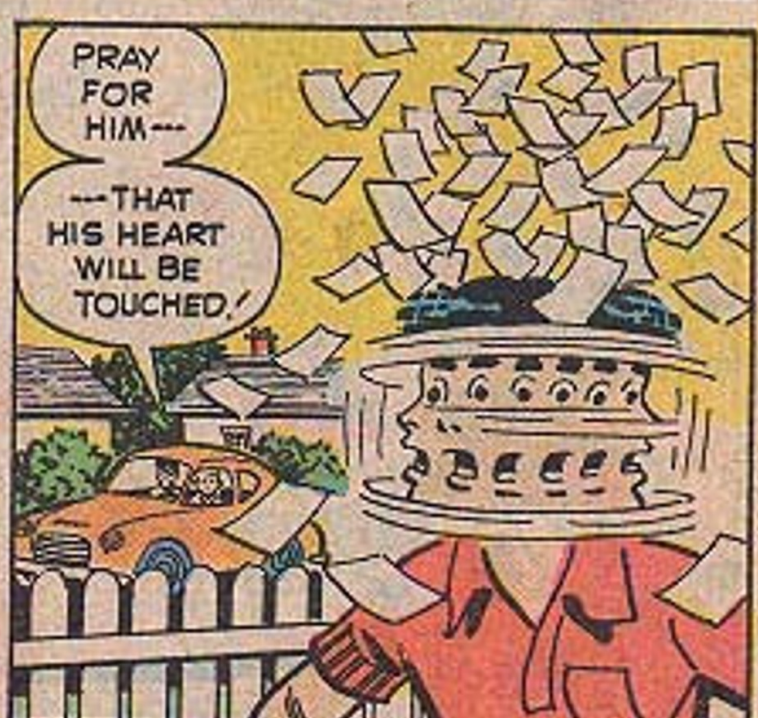
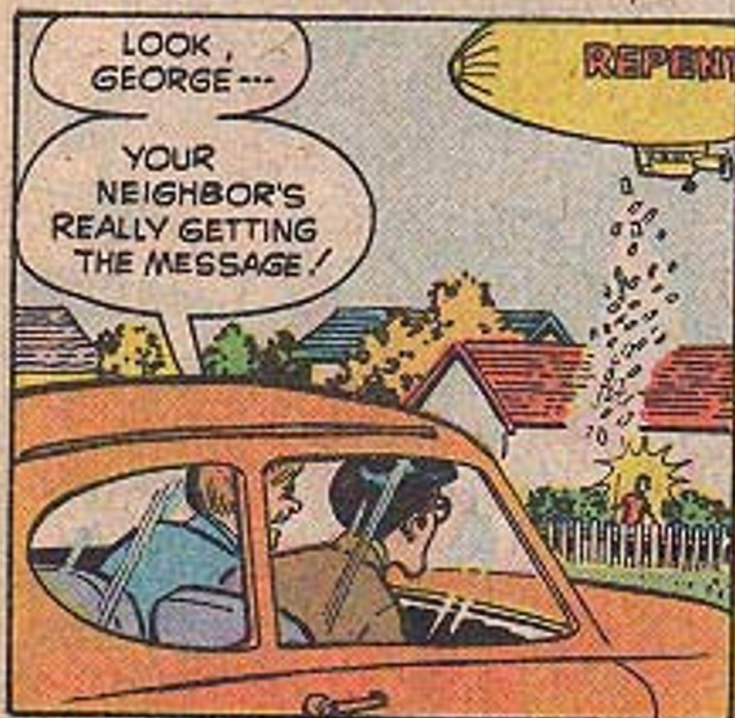
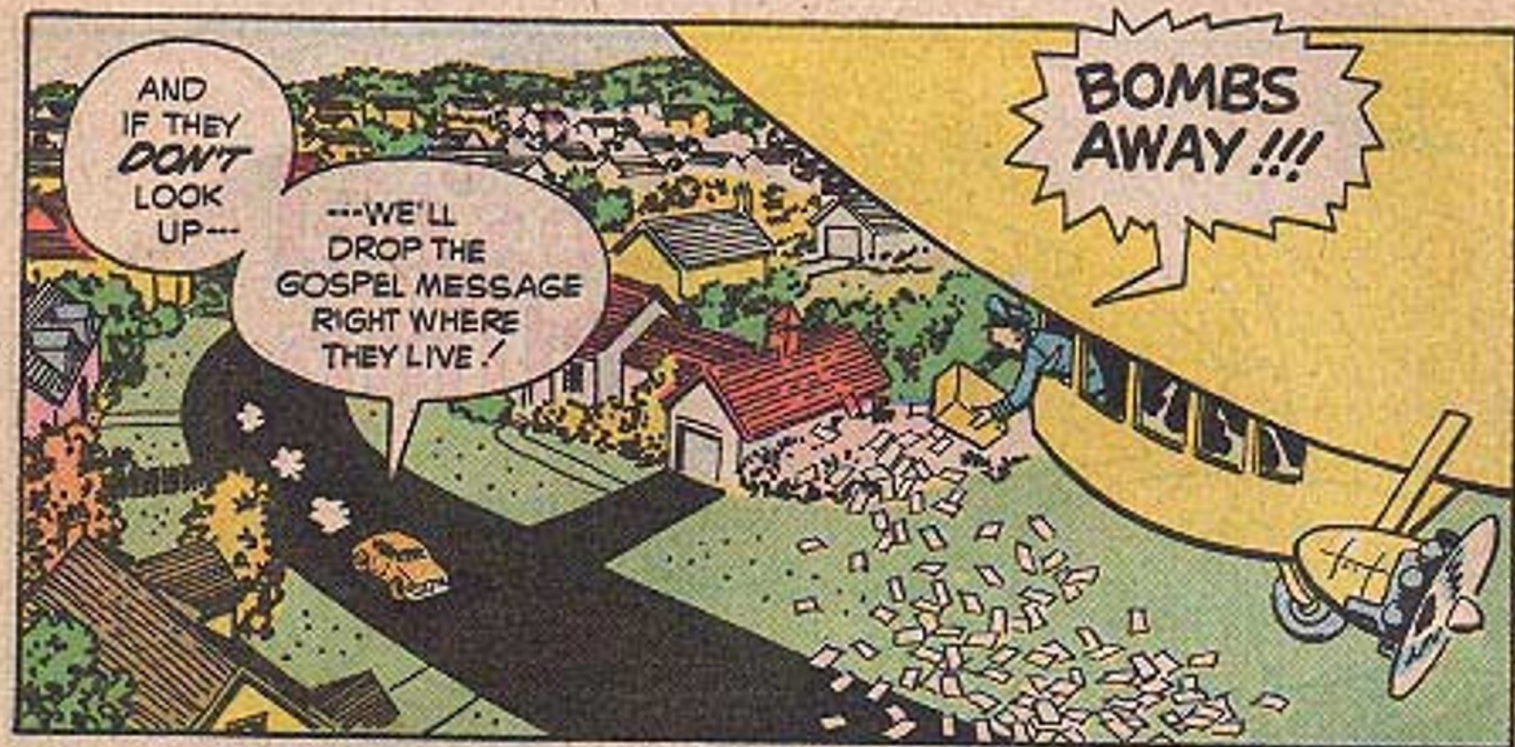
WAIT!

SEVEN  
IS THE  
PERFECT  
NUMBER...

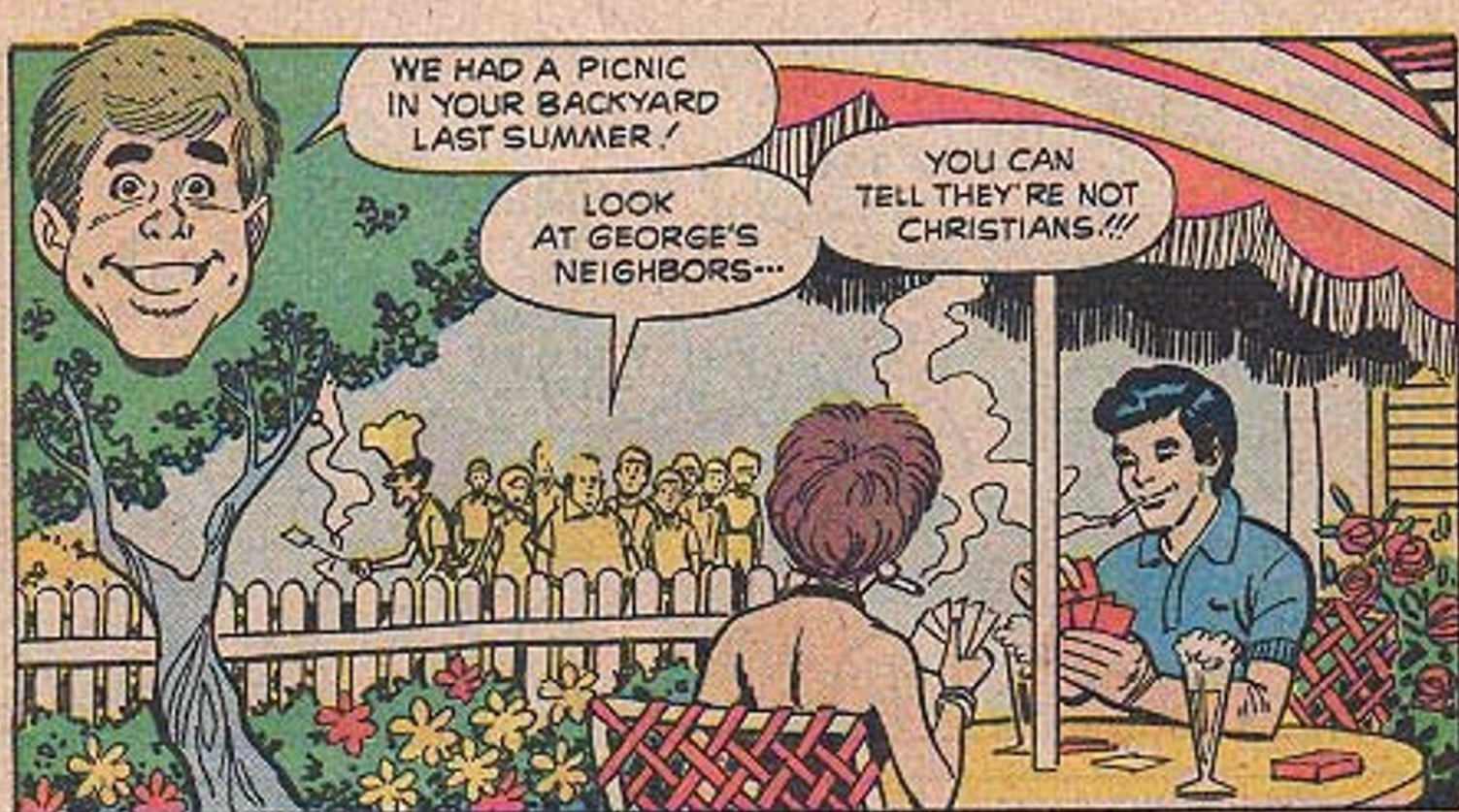
WE'LL  
USE  
SEVEN-  
UP!!!











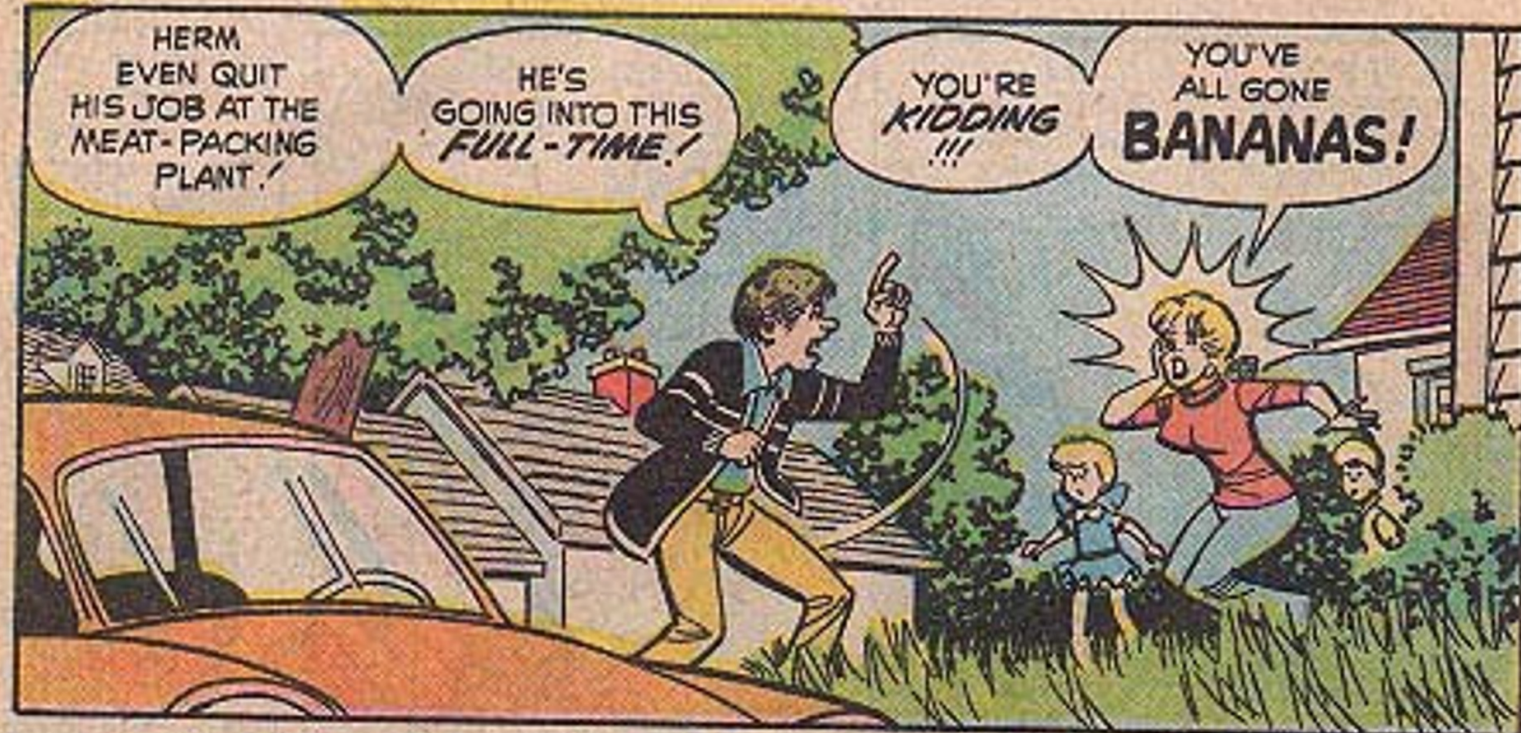








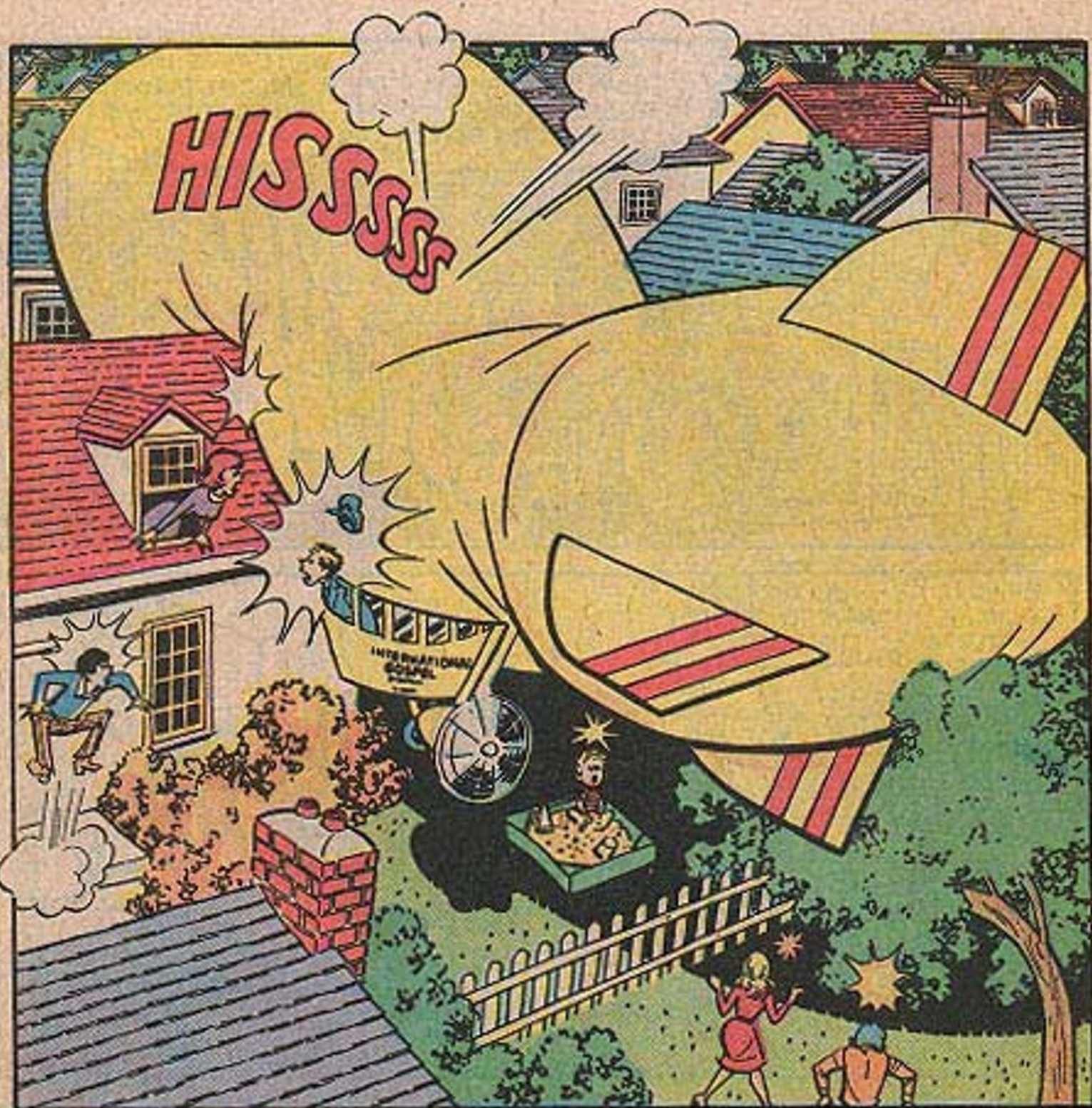














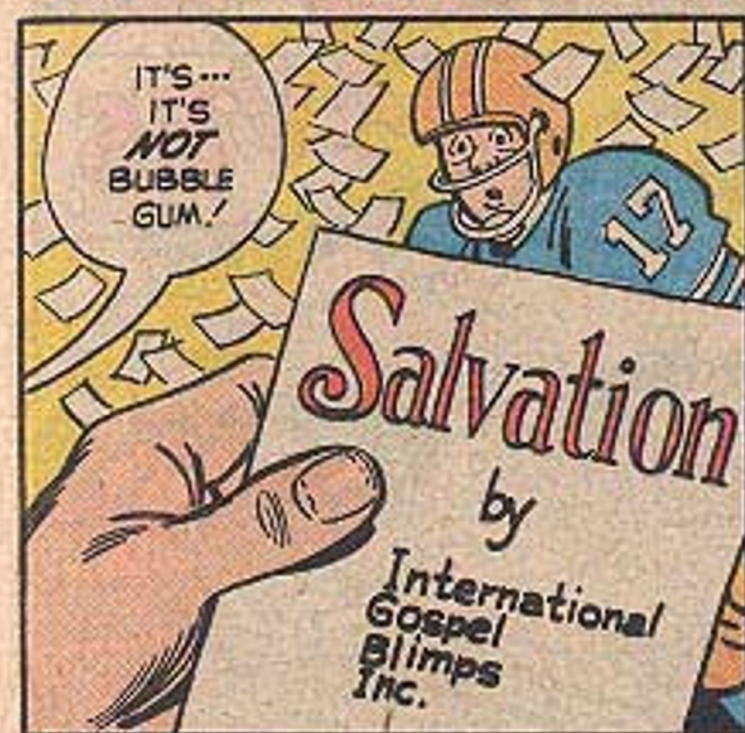
OUR  
NEW PILOT  
ADDED A  
MISSIONARY  
EMPHASIS  
EVERY  
SATURDAY!



AND SPEAKING OF SATURDAYS---



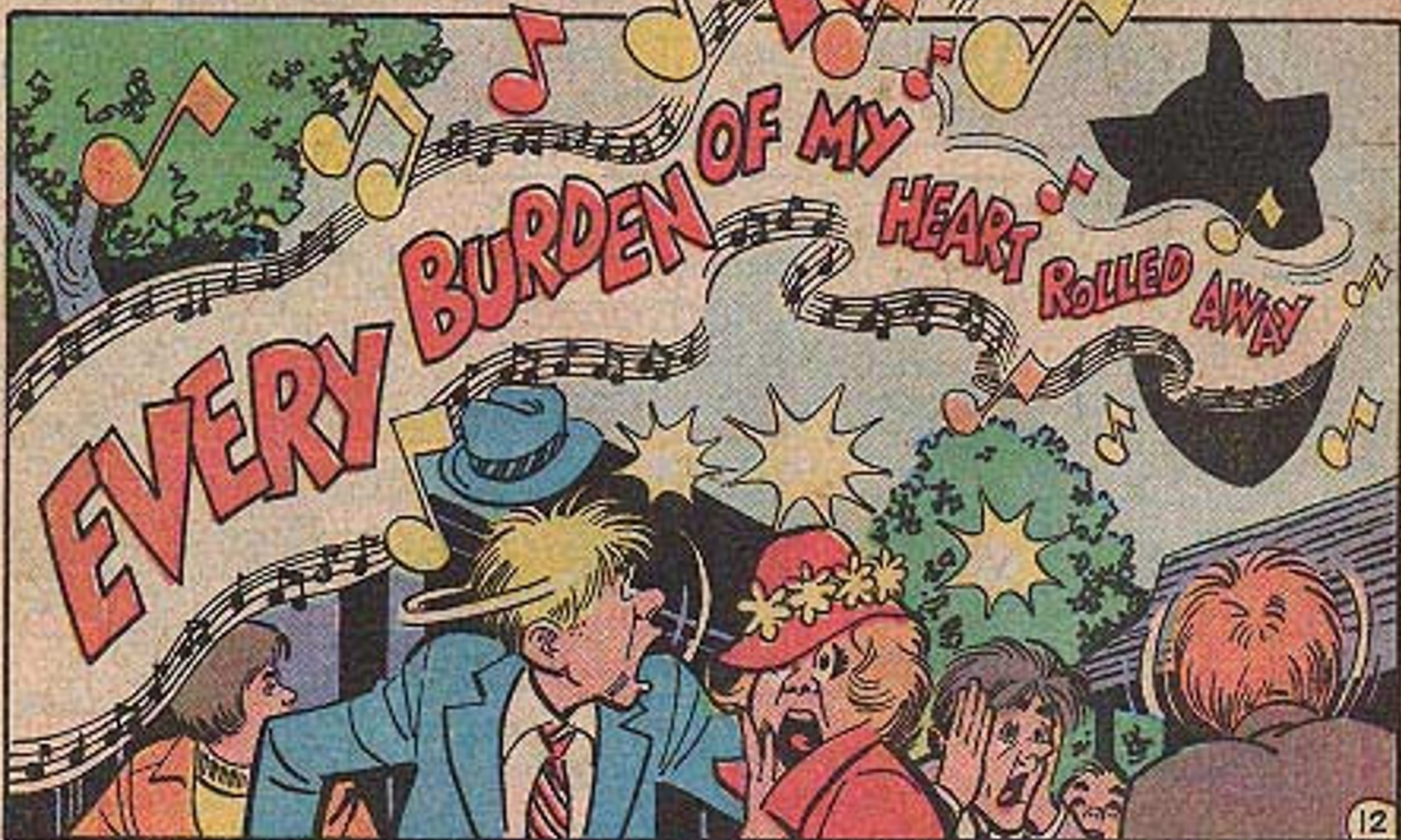




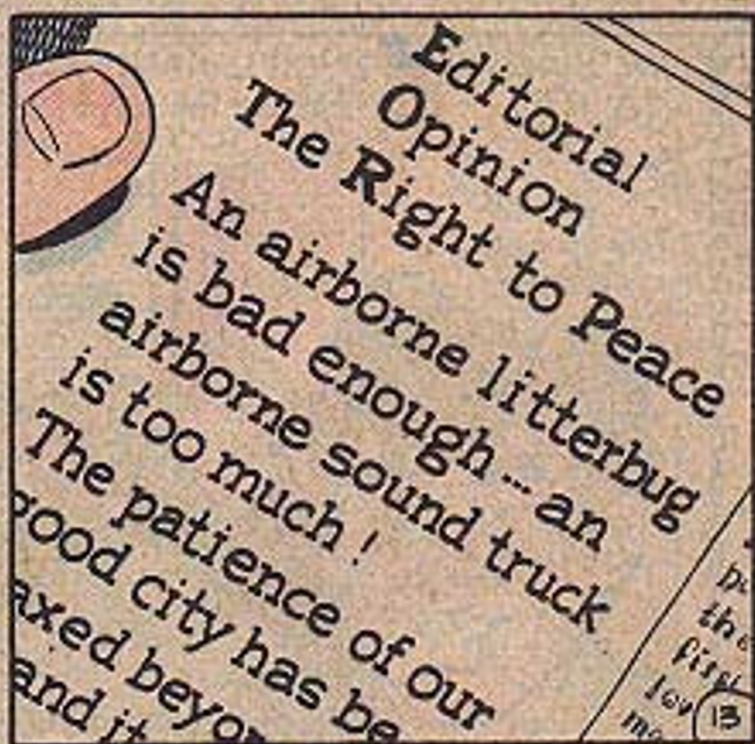
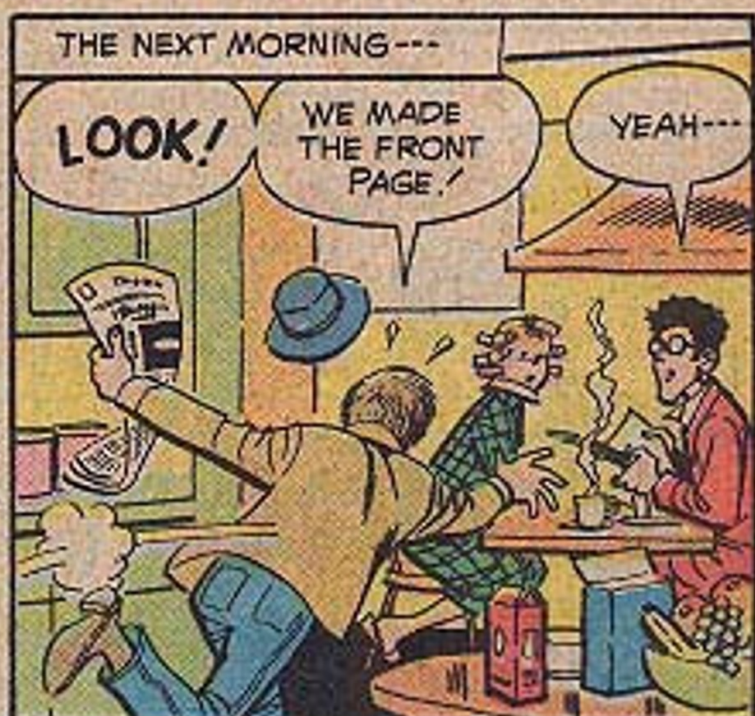


















OUR NEW P.R. MAN WAS A  
REAL FIRECRACKER !!!  
AND HE GOT RESULTS !!!

# Christian World

JESUS SAVES

THE GOSPEL  
BLIMP

3 PAGES OF  
EXCITING PHOTOS

CIRCUIT RIDER  
BLIMP ON 12-  
HOUR SCHEDULE

CHURCH NEWS

LOCAL CHURCH  
ADDS BLIMP TO  
MISSIONARY  
BUDGET

RELIGION PAGE

GOSPEL  
BLIMP  
TONIGHT

THIS TOWN  
IS GONNA LOVE  
THE BLIMP,  
BABY !!!

THE T  
SKY IS  
BLIMP

SUNDAY-SCHOOL  
TEACHER GIVEN  
FREE BLIMP RIDE

NEW

BLIMP DROPS  
"FIRE BOMBS"

TRACTS TO RAIN  
"FIRES OF REVIVAL"  
ARE BEING DROP-  
PED ALL OVER THIS  
TOWN.  
INTERNATIONAL  
GOSPEL BLIMPS

WE BEGAN TO GET A  
BRAND-NEW IMAGE--- BUILT  
AROUND HERM !!!

FIRST HE  
GREW A  
BEARD---

BEAUTIFUL,  
BABY---

BEAUTIFUL

THEN HE  
WAS MADE  
"COMMANDER"  
OF I.G.B.I.

AND GIVEN A  
SNAPPY UNIFORM

COMMANDER  
DROPS 1,000  
FIRE BOMBS

Commander of Intern  
Gospel Blimps  
pictured

# COMM COM ADE





SOON  
PEOPLE BEGAN  
TO TAKE **PRIDE**  
IN THE GOSPEL  
BLIMP!

AFTER ALL,  
NO OTHER  
TOWN HAD  
ONE!

REPENT



HOW DOES **THIS**  
GRAB YOU, BOYS---

--- WE'LL REACH OUT TO THE  
**ETHNIC** GROUPS---

I.G.B.I.



EACH NIGHT WE'LL USE  
A DIFFERENT  
LANGUAGE!

I.G.B.I.

I  
LIKE  
IT!



CHRIST  
DER RETTER  
IST DA

GUTEN ABEND  
MEINE HERRN  
UND DAMEN---



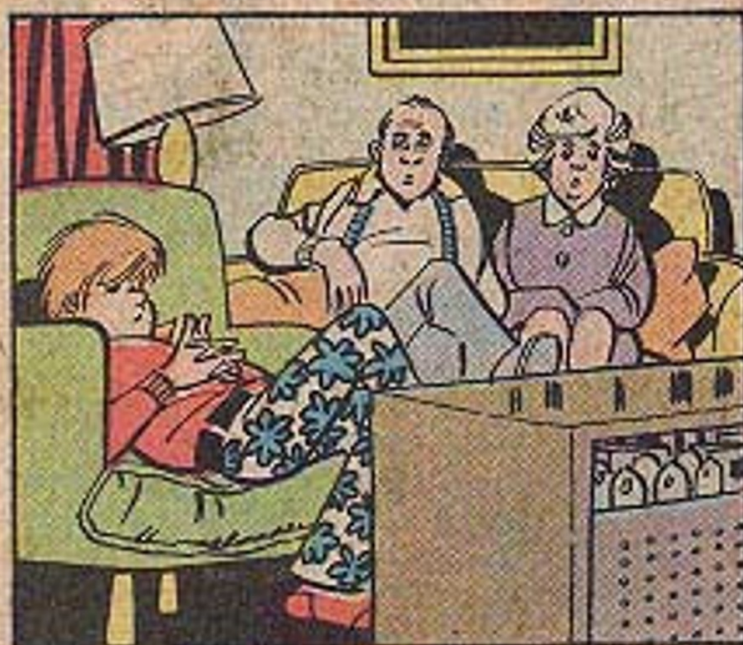
GULP!

IT WAS ON **CHINESE**  
NIGHT THAT ALL OUR  
GOOD WILL WAS  
WIPE OUT !!!

基督



FOLKS HAD JUST SETTLED DOWN IN FRONT OF THE TUBE ---



T.V. VIEWERS ALL OVER TOWN FRANTICALLY SWITCHED CHANNELS---

---AND : GASP : IT HAPPENED.!!!

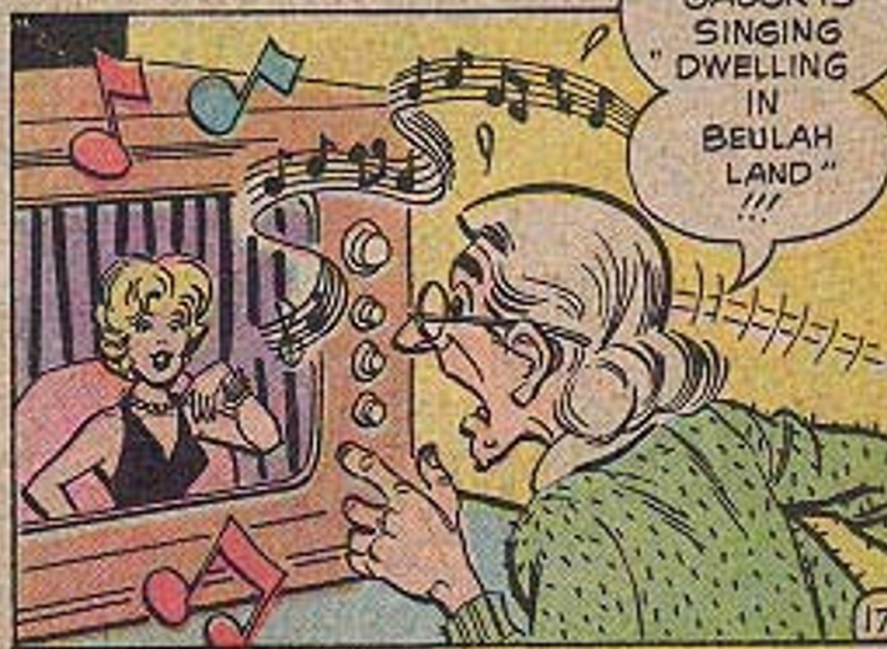


--- BUT THE SOUND WAS THE SAME.!!!



AFTER THE SERMON IN CHINESE ENDED, THE BLIMP TRANSMITTED SOME GOOD OLD FAMILIAR HYMNS ---

--- BUT THE ELECTRONIC SCRAMBLE CONTINUED.!









BUT HE DIDN'T CATCH ON  
UNTIL HE LANDED !!!

LET'S  
HAVE  
THE  
BUM  
!!!

BURN  
THE  
BLIMP  
!!!

THE POLICE DID  
A GREAT JOB  
THAT NIGHT ---

--- BUT ALL OF US REALIZED THAT THIS WAS  
THE BEGINNING OF THE END FOR OUR  
BELOVED BLIMP !!!

AND POOR GEORGE SEEMED TO  
TAKE IT THE WORST ---

MY  
NEIGHBORS---

WHAT WILL  
HAPPEN TO  
THEM NOW  
???



THE  
COMMANDER  
DIDN'T HELP  
THINGS AT  
HIS PRESS  
CONFERENCE!

UNFORTUNATELY,  
HARUMPH! I WAS  
OUT OF TOWN DURING  
LAST NIGHT'S AHEM!  
FIASCO!!!

I.G.B.I.



BUT NOW THAT I AM BACK,  
AHEM! I PLEDGE THAT ANY  
IRRESPONSIBLE ELEMENTS IN  
I.G.B.I. WILL BE **PURGED!!!**



WHAT COULD  
**HE** HAVE  
DONE LAST  
NIGHT?

HE WOULD HAVE  
BEEN AS HELPLESS  
AS THE REST  
OF US!



LISTEN,  
GEORGIE  
BABY...

--- THE  
COMMANDER  
IS OUR  
**IMAGE**---

---HE'S GOT  
TO LOOK  
GOOD!



EVERYBODY  
**ELSE** IS  
EXPENDABLE!

**THAT'S**  
NOT THE  
CHRISTIAN  
WAY  
!!!









I MEAN  
THERE ARE  
MANY **SOCIAL**  
ISSUES---

OH, OUR  
SUPPORTERS  
WOULDN'T GO  
ALONG WITH  
THAT!



WELL, YOU  
COULD GET  
**NEW**  
SUPPORT---

**BIG**  
SUPPORT---

---MY  
FIRM  
FOR  
EXAMPLE!



LATER --- AT OUR I. G. B. I.  
BOARD MEETING ---

GOD  
RAISED UP  
THE BLIMP!

WE  
SHOULDN'T  
CHANGE  
THINGS!

THIS  
ISN'T  
A  
**CHANGE**---

I. G.



---IT'S  
JUST A  
**NEW**  
**EMPHASIS**  
!!!

BEAUTIFUL,  
COMMANDER  
BABY!



WE  
WON'T  
TAKE A  
VOTE  
TONIGHT---

---YOU  
BOYS  
THINK  
IT  
OVER---

---PRAY  
ABOUT  
IT!

JUST  
BEAUTIFUL  
!!!





ON  
THE WAY  
HOME, I  
STOPPED  
TO VISIT  
GEORGE...



HE WENT  
TO THE SHORE  
WITH THE MAN  
NEXT DOOR...

... THE ONE  
WE'VE BEEN  
PRAYING  
FOR!



WELL, TELL GEORGE  
WE COULD USE HIS HELP  
ON THE BLIMP IF HE  
GETS ANY FREE  
TIME!

I'LL  
TELL  
HIM,  
JOE...



... IT'S EASY  
TO GET OUT OF  
THE WORLD ON  
A BLIMP, ISN'T  
IT?



A  
FEW  
WEEKS  
LATER,  
THE  
BLIMP  
CARRIED  
THE  
NEW  
EMPHASIS!



THE  
ECOLOGISTS  
BEGAN  
TO  
SUPPORT  
US!





CONSUMER  
GROUPS  
GOT ON  
THE  
BAND-  
WAGON!



BIG  
BUSINESS  
LOVED  
US!

IN  
FACT,  
THE  
WHOLE  
TOWN  
LOVED  
US !!!





THE COMMANDER BROUGHT HIS  
COUNTRY CLUB CRONIES ON THE  
BOARD---

I.G.B.I.

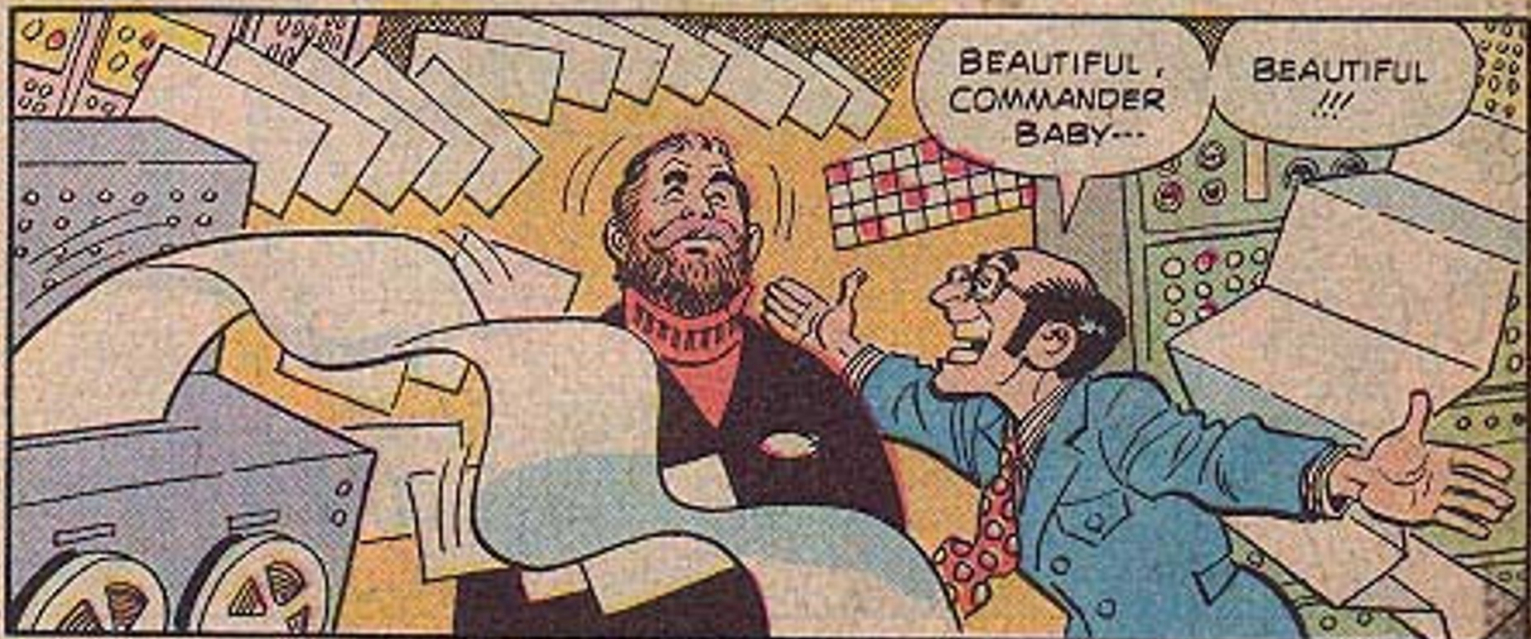


NOW WE WERE  
REALLY ORGANIZED!

WE HAD  
CHARTS---

... MARKET  
SURVEYS---

...COMPUTER  
ANALYSIS---



WE  
ADDED ONE  
LUMP OF  
LEAVEN  
AFTER  
ANOTHER!

AND  
THEN  
GEORGE  
INVITED  
US ALL  
OVER TO  
HIS  
HOUSE  
FOR A  
SURPRISE !!!

THAT'S  
GEORGE'S  
NEIGHBOR---

THE ONE  
WHO SMOKES  
AND DRINKS!





THREE YEARS AGO TONIGHT,  
THE GOSPEL BLIMP WAS BORN  
RIGHT HERE !!!



I'VE INVITED MY NEIGHBORS  
BECAUSE THEY WERE REALLY  
RESPONSIBLE FOR THE BLIMP!



I REMEMBER  
THAT NIGHT...

...I CAN STILL  
SEE THEM OVER  
THE FENCE...

...UH...

DRINKING  
BEER!



WELL, GOD  
ANSWERED  
OUR PRAYERS!

THEY'VE  
BECOME  
CHRISTIANS  
!!!

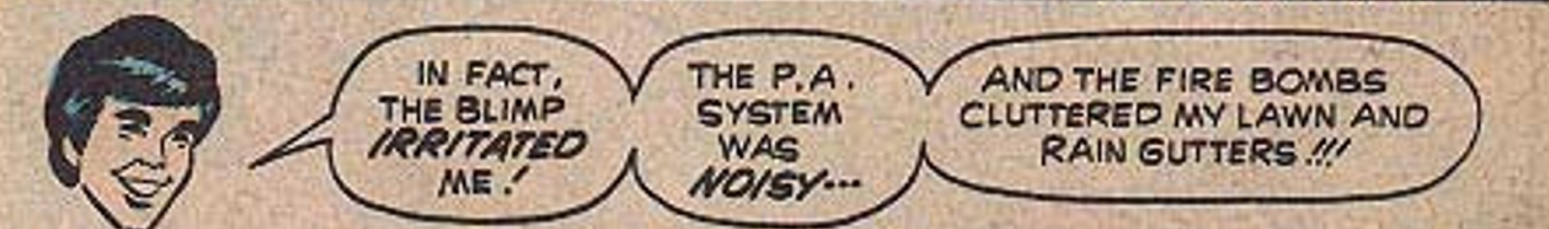


Y - YOU'RE  
SAVED  
???

THAT'S  
RIGHT  
!!!















AFTER  
SUPPER  
GEORGE  
READ THE  
BIBLE AND  
PRAYED—  
AND IT  
ALL MADE  
SENSE!



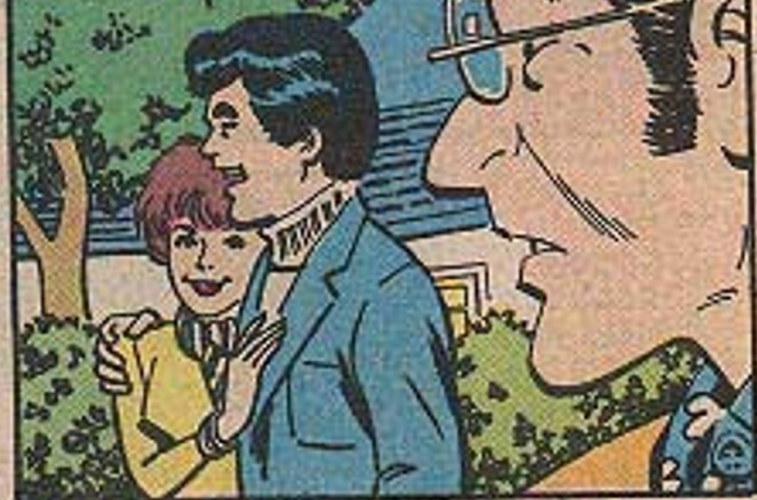


SO WE GOT  
DOWN ON OUR  
KNEES---

--- AND  
PRAYED TO  
GOD!



AND THROUGH  
CHRIST HE'S  
FORGIVEN OUR  
SINS!!!



WE GAVE GOD  
OUR **OLD** LIVES ---



AND HE'S GIVEN US  
**BRAND-NEW** LIVES!











LET'S NOT JUST **SAY** WE LOVE PEOPLE, LET'S **REALLY** LOVE THEM AND **SHOW** IT BY OUR **ACTIONS** SEE 1 JOHN 3:18



# HERE ARE FOUR PEOPLE WHO AREN'T AFRAID TO STAND UP BEFORE THOUSANDS AND SAY, "I BELIEVE!"



DALE EVANS ROGERS



TERRY BRADSHAW

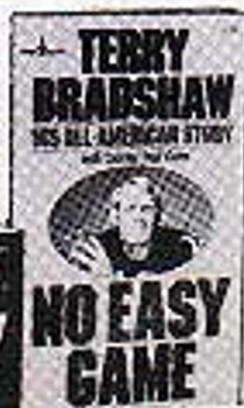


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I don't have  
SHIRT FOR YOU  
CHILDREN AREN'T  
FOR BODIES!

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HAVE BLIND  
EYES

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DON'T  
SHIRT EYE  
BLIND

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